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SUBJ: POSSIBLE SALE OF U.S. AIRCRAFT TO NORTH KOREA

REF: (A) CANBERRA 3134; (B) STATE 100198

1. THIS SUPPLEMENTS REF (A).
2. PRIOR TO PASSING COMPANY NAME TO DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, EMBASSY CONSULTED ROUTINE AVAILABLE COMMERCIAL INFORMATION SOURCES TO ASCERTAIN WHAT STANDARD INFORMATION MIGHT BE AVAILABLE ON FIRM IN QUESTION.
3. WE WERE UNABLE TO FIND ANY RECORD OF THE FIRM IN BANK OR DIRECTORY SOURCES. WE DID, HOWEVER, RUN ACROSS COINCIDENTAL FACT WHICH WE WISH TO PASS ALONG AGAINST VERY SLIGHT POSSIBILITY IT IS OF ANY SIGNIFICANCE. THIS IS THAT SYDNEY INSURANCE BROKER WHOSE BUSINESS INCLUDES AIRCRAFT INSURANCE AND WHO IS ALSO AMATEUR PILOT MENTIONED HE RECEIVED CIRCULAR MAILING EARLIER THIS YEAR FROM FIRM HE RECALLED AS QTE MONROE AIR SALES COMPANY OF LOUISIANA, USA END QTE INQUIRING AS TO INTEREST IN PURCHASING AIRCRAFT. HE DID NOT RETAIN THE CIRCULAR AND HIS MEMORY MAY BE INACCURATE AS TO PRECISE NAME OF SENDER, SO WE HAVE NO WAY OF PROVIDING OR CONFIRMING ADDITIONAL DETAIL.

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4. IN VIEW COINCIDENCE OF NAMES, HOWEVER, AND OUR SURMISE THAT

AUSTRALIAN FIRM IN QUESTION MORE LIKELY TO BE DEALING WITH
OFFSHORE TRANSACTION THAN ANY SALE OF AIRCRAFT PHYSICALLY
LOCATED IN AUSTRALIA, WE BELIEVED IT DESIRABLE TO REPORT THIS
COINCIDENCE TO DEPARTMENT FOR ANY INTEREST IT MAY HAVE.
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